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S. General

ONNEXT MEETING OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE ON EXPORT CONTROLS9th March, 1959

Present: Belgium(Luxembourg), Canada, Denmark, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, United Kingdom, United States.

Reference: COCOM Document No. Sub-C(59)1, paragraph 100.

1. The ITALIAN Delegate stated that, as his Government were anxious to establish closer links between the services responsible for the application of the control system in the different capitals, they had decided to extend an official invitation to the Sub-Committee on Export Controls to hold their next meeting, scheduled for the month of May, in Rome. To assist the organizers, the Italian Government would be grateful if the Belgian authorities would ask Monsieur Blondiau to set a date for this meeting rapidly. The Delegate also asked delegations to submit the names of the representatives they would be sending to these meetings as soon as possible.
2. The BELGIAN Delegate stated that he had been in touch with Monsieur Blondiau that same morning in connexion with the meeting and with the Italian Government's offer. The Chairman of the Sub-Committee on Export Controls had asked him to thank the Italian Government on his behalf, and had stated that he would be in favour of holding the meeting either during the week before Whitsuntide, or immediately afterwards. In any event, the Chairman of the Sub-Committee would like to hold a preliminary meeting in Paris in April, in order to draft the agenda for the next Sub-Committee session.
3. The ITALIAN Delegate undertook to transmit these proposals to his authorities. He agreed that a preliminary meeting would be necessary, and stated that his Government would probably prefer to hold the Sub-Committee meeting after Whitsuntide.
4. The CHAIRMAN then made the two following proposals:
 - (1) Delegations would submit to their Governments the date of the 19th May for the meeting of the Sub-Committee on Export Controls. Replies would be given by Governments within a week from the date of the present meeting;
 - (2) The preliminary meeting for the drafting of the agenda would take place in Paris on the 6th April.
- The COMMITTEE agreed to these suggestions and the Chairman asked the Belgian Delegate to transmit them to Monsieur Blondiau.
5. The CHAIRMAN concluded the discussion by thanking the Italian Delegation for their invitation which would serve as an experiment and which might be renewed in the future, if it yielded fruitful results.
6. The FRENCH, NETHERLANDS and UNITED STATES Delegates associated themselves with the thanks expressed by the Chairman, and undertook to transmit the names of their representatives attending the next Sub-Committee meeting as soon as possible.